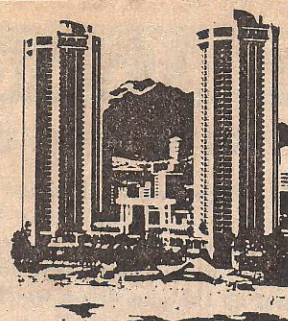


HYATT ON THE BEACH



Hyatt Regency, Waikiki at Hemmeyer Center

A FAIR SHEIKH: The arrival of an Arab sheikh in a Rolls Royce at Hyatt's Uluniu street porte-cochere is about as unusual as a shower on the Windward side — unless, of course, he happens to be fully-robed in white court attire. That was the situation last week when Trapperettes RITA VASQUEZ and SUSANNE JOSE were waiting for a Trap regular who had invited them to lunch. The sheikh swept the astonished Trapperettes into the Rolls and carried them off, not to the desert but to the Outrigger Canoe Club. By then they had recognized him as their luncheon date, DESMOND BROOKS, the world-ranging architect, who had assembled his regalia while carrying out a commission in Saudi Arabia.

Rites Monday at Outrigger for William J. Mullahey

A memorial service for William J. Mullahey, long-time Pan American executive and a leader in Pacific tourism who died April 14 at his home in Carmel, Calif., will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Outrigger Canoe Club in Waikiki. Friends are invited.
After a prayer by the Rev. Abraham Akaka and eulogies by George J. "Pete" Wimberly and Albert C. "Slim" Holt, the ashes will be scattered at sea.
Honorary paddlers will be Warren Ackerman, Nip Akuna, Tommy Armet, Kalokua Ayllett, Bob Bush, Bill Capp, Thad Ekstrand, Bob Fischer, Jimmie Hakuole, Neil Iversen, Sarge Kahanamoku, Turkey Love, Tom O'Brien and Harry Robello. Music will be by The Surfers, and Clayton and Allan Naluai.

Molokai race in stormy tug-of-war

By Andy Yamaguchi
Advertiser Sports Writer

Like a koa canoe caught in a storm, the Molokai-to-Oahu race — the Kentucky Derby of outrigger canoe racing — is being broken in two by a conflict between race organizers and paddlers.

On one side is the Aloha Week Committee, sponsor of the race since it began in 1962, saying it will hold the race Sept. 19.

On the other side is the Oahu Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association, the biggest and richest group of paddlers in Hawaii, saying it will hold the race Oct. 11.

Each side is fighting for control of the race, a 41-mile trip across Kaiwi Channel that has become the world's most prestigious men's canoe event.

The OHORA says the Molokai race has gotten too big and the Aloha Week budget

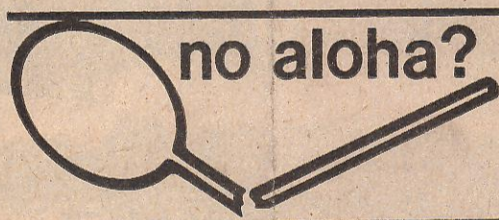
too small for Aloha Week to stage it properly. "Their administration of the race has been one of steady decline," says Billy Mitchell, a spokesman for the OHORA's Molokai race committee. "We don't want to take it away from Aloha Week. All we're saying is, 'Let us run it for you.'"

Over their dead bodies, say the Aloha Week brass. "They want to steal the race from us," says Harry Cooper, executive director of Aloha Week. "It's our race. We're going to have a race whether they have one or not."

But, says Mitchell. "If Aloha Week doesn't come with us, I don't see them having a race."

Money — not enough of it — is the root of the OHORA's discontent.

Back when the Molokai-to-Oahu race was a small affair, Aloha Week's race budget — as much as \$10,000 — was able to pay for the



paddlers' meals, air fare to Molokai, the shipping of their canoes and their prize money.

But as the field swelled to nearly 40 with Hawaiian, Tahitian and Californian entries while Aloha Week's budget shrank, the paddlers had to dig into their own pockets. Last year the canoe clubs paid for all their expenses, in addition to putting up a \$100 entry fee which made up the prize money.



don chapman

THURS. DE FORCE: Maestro Donald Johanos is on the Mainland continuing the search for a new concertmaster to replace Greg Fulkerson. In the local auditions held last week, only two persons performed for Johanos — both are members of the symphony, which declined to announce their names. . . . Here's hoping that **BIL JACKSON** doesn't follow Fulkerson into a solo career — at least not right away. Jackson, 20, the symphony's principal clarinetist, just won fourth place honors (among 90 musicians from 17 countries) at the Int'l Clarinet Competition in Prague. Already his services are being sought and, with the symphony pau for the summer, Bil is off to play with the Aspen Chamber Orchestra until Sept. . . . "Magnum" does have some scripts in the bank, but not enough to last through an extended writers' strike or the threatened strike by directors. "We're going to shoot five and hope," said Rick Weaver, "Magnum" producer-on-location. They're shooting No. 2 this week. . . . Rick said that the usual Sept. start for the new TV season may be delayed if the writers' strike continues much longer or if directors strike for very long. . . . Not only did Tom Selleck play on the Outrigger Canoe Club's sr. men's team that placed second in the U.S. Volleyball Assoc. championships, but he was named to the All-American honorable mention team. Teammate Tom Haine also made the honorable mention team, but Dennis Berg and Tony Crabbe of OCC made the first team A-A □ □ □

DIS AND DOT: Former astronaut Tom Stafford was due to arrive in Honolulu today, but had to return home from China when his mother was involved in an accident. . . . Mickey Hummer's Downtown Saloon, a.k.a. Boyd's, will close on June 6 — it's part of the soon-to-be-demolished Alexander Young Building — and a celeb cast of guest bartenders has been lined up for the final days, including Russ Francis, Jim Nabors, Joe Moore, Marilyn Bornhorst and Eileen Anderson. . . . A big man in the local auto leasing biz — call him the Shelly Jelly Belly — just returned from Vancouver, B.C., where he entered but did not place in that town's annual belly flop contest. . . . John Pietsch is enjoying his long-anticipated retirement at Princeville, more or less. The good news is that he's lost 12 lbs. The bad news is that he's added two strokes to his golf handicap. . . . Auntie Maiki Aiu Lake celebrates her birthday today with daughter Coline Aiu Ferranti and Robert Cazimero at the Willows □ □ □



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ON A CLEAR DAY: Dermatologist Dr. Frank Dann postcards from New York that his Honolulu-to-Chicago flight had to make an unscheduled stop in Kansas City because, the pilot said, the jet was "out of gas." Chicago pay phones esp. made Dr. Dann appreciate Honolulu — 20 cents for a local call in Chi-town. . . . Among those who worked with Miss Hawaii (Teri Ann Linn) before the Miss USA pageant — she was fourth runner-up — was Dr. Robert "Smilepower" Gibson. Not too surprisingly, Teri's answer when asked what advice she would give to any girl entering a beauty contest was: "Smile!" . . . Most former Halekulani employees are still looking for new jobs, reports Roberta Wong. . . . Opera star Dorothy Kirsten and husband Dr. John French are enjoying a month of r&r in their Maui condo. She has just finished an autobiography that will be published by Doubleday. . . . Ethnic stew: The Krakow Polish Dancers will perform at Keone's for the Honolulu German Club in June. . . . Did you know that if the automobile industry worked like the computer industry, a Rolls-Royce would cost \$2.75, get 3 million miles per gallon and deliver enough horsepower to propel the QEII? Or so claims the not-disinterested Science Digest □ □ □

THE BOTTOM LINES: Joyce Fasi says she is enjoying the more relaxed pace between Frank's campaigns and spending more time with their children. Mrs. Fasi has also just been elected president of the Honolulu Christian Women's Club. . . . As is his custom, Charlie Rodgers, former owner of the Rhumb Line and currently tending bar at the Waikiki Yacht Club, was working on his tan along the Ala Wai one morning when a nice thing happened. Officer Jim Pritchett of HPD walked past and paused to warn Charlie that he "could get too much sun." Charlie says: "I thought it was great to see a cop out walking a beat and acting like a nice guy" . . . Give a Statehood Award to Park Plastics of Linden, N.J., which filed a "customs declaration" on parts it shipped to Greg Marshall for one of his rockets, of which Greg says: "I do keep losing those, but then I don't have NASA's tracking budget" . . . Teddy and Nancy Tanaka used a funny card to tell the world about the birth of son Harmoni Eriko Kapulani. The card informs that they "joyfully announce Nancy's 7lb. 6oz. weight loss" . . . In Kona, Huggo's chef Dean Hyry says he learned how to cook fish by watching Hari Kojima on "Let's Go Fishing." Huggo's will be adding a second floor for a tiff-tiff dining room. . . . Nice to see Hoku winner Jon Osorio and semi-new partner Leon Su landing a Fri.-Sat. night gig at the Proud Peacock in Waimea Falls Park □ □ □

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Hosts, paddlers lacking aloha?

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scheduled for Sept. 27, and the men — who act as coaches and escort boat skippers for the wahines — feel they need more than eight days' rest between crossings.

In addition, the paddlers feel the Aloha Week committee showed a disregard for the traditions of Hawaiian canoe racing by opening up the race to canoes which are not Hawaiian design specifications.

"This year the rules only say it has to be 45 feet long and 400 pounds," Mitchell says incredulously. "You could do it in a kayak! We're racing in Hawaiian waters, and the test should be to see how men do in Hawaiian hulls."

"Our association has taken a very strong stand to preserve Hawaiian canoe racing," Cates says. "We were forced into doing it. We didn't want to see it become a second-class race."

"There's a very big danger that the Catalina (Calif.) race, with its big funding, could eclipse the Molokai race," Cates says. "We saw the potential of Molokai becoming a very small race, while on the other hand saw the potential of sponsorship. We felt we had to act."

The OHORA acted officially last November, when it voted at its convention to organize a race and begin the search for a sponsor.

Mitchell and Cates say the OHORA is on the verge of receiving a "substantial" financial commitment

from a prominent local firm. They declined to name the sponsor until things are finalized, but did say the firm would probably cover \$50,000 or so in expenses.

With that money, the OHORA believes it can almost fully subsidize 30 crews. "We contacted Aloha Week and told them what we were doing," Cates says. "We told them we were not trying to eliminate their race, but that they could take the \$6,000 they had budgeted for the race and put it totally into the ceremonial part."

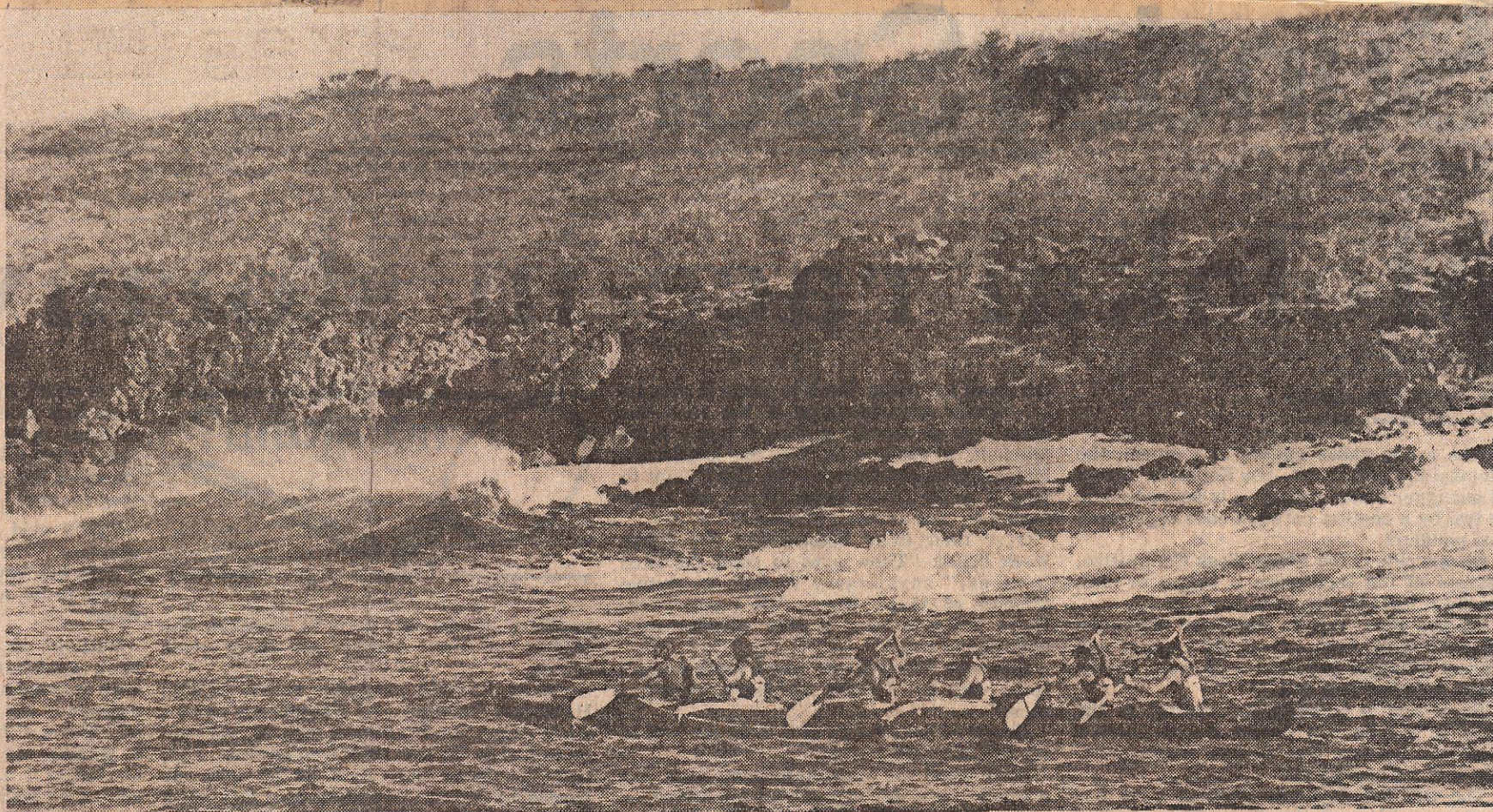
"They turned us down flatly and said they wanted to put on the race."

"That's all salesmanship," Aloha Week president Murray Luther says of the OHORA's offer. "If you had something that was yours, and you had a board of directors that was holding things together for years and years, how would you feel if someone came in and took the bows?"

"It just boggles my mind to hear them talk about all the money they can get," he says. "And them saying, 'You're a nice bunch of guys, you can bring your king and queen down but we're running the race.' I can't subscribe to that kind of attitude."

"How in the hell can you keep anything going if everybody says the hell with you, that's my kuleana, that's my bailiwick," Luther says. "They can't take our race away."

They can whittle the field down to almost nothing, however, because



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The six-man Lanikai crew heads out along the Molokai coast during the Molokai-to-Oahu race three years ago.

the OHORA annually provides two-thirds of the race's entries and has the power to influence other associations to follow it.

"We will definitely go with the OHORA race," says Walter Guild, head coach of defending Molokai champion Outrigger Canoe Club. "Before we used to do all the training, put up all the money and get no benefits. Now we can make this the big-time race it deserves to be."

There is little doubt the Hawaiian

Canoe Racing Association's affiliates on the Neighbor Islands will fall in step, too, and Cates says he has already extended invitations to the Tahiti and California clubs. It is not known whether the Hui Wa'a and Surfing Association will follow the OHORA or stick with Aloha Week.

This is not the first time a paddling organization has broken with Aloha Week. In 1973 the HCRA held its own Molokai race a week before Aloha Week's after a disagreement

over rule changes.

An accord could still be reached this time, Mitchell says the OHORA's sponsor will meet with the Aloha Week board on Tuesday to try to settle the conflict. He says a compromise is possible, with the OHORA keeping its sponsor but racing on Sept. 19, Aloha Week's date.

Hemmings, a former champion surfer who did the commentary for NBC's "SportsWorld" coverage of last year's Molokai-to-Oahu race,

thinks there shouldn't be a conflict at all.

"Looking at it logically and objectively, Aloha Week should be thrilled to have the burden of the race taken off their shoulders," Hemmings says. "They would get all the benefits of the race without any of the responsibilities."

"It's a very logical thing. Unfortunately, we're dealing with emotions."